P.O. Box 111 East Winthrop, Maine 04343 September 23, 2006

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Avenue St. Louis, MO 63105

Dear Sir:

Some years ago (probably back in the 1980s) I contacted you regarding a 1734 "New Hampshire Merchants Note" in my possession. More recently (last week) I happened to be looking at the 1997 edition of your book on early American currency, and noted that among your several references to such notes there was no mention of the one shilling denomination represented by my note.

With that in mind, and in the hope that it may be of interest for your continued research purposes, I'm enclosing a printout of a digital snapshot of my note – with apologies for its rather poor quality.

If you have access to e-mail and would be good enough to send me (ronkley@juno.com) your e-mail address, I'd be happy to send you additional digital images of any details of this note. Perhaps if you have a better printer than mine (and/or are more adept at tweaking a printer to give better color representation) you can generate a printout that will look more like the actual black ink on white paper and less like the enclosed brick red offering.

Unfortunately, given the way my note is currently "packaged" (behind glass in a double-sided frame) it cannot be copied xerographically – although it could be extracted from the frame if that might be required for some legitimate research purpose.

Warmest regards,

Ron Kley

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Subj: New Hampshire Merchants one shilling note.
Date: 9/26/2006 3:40:24 PM Central Standard Time

From: EricNumis

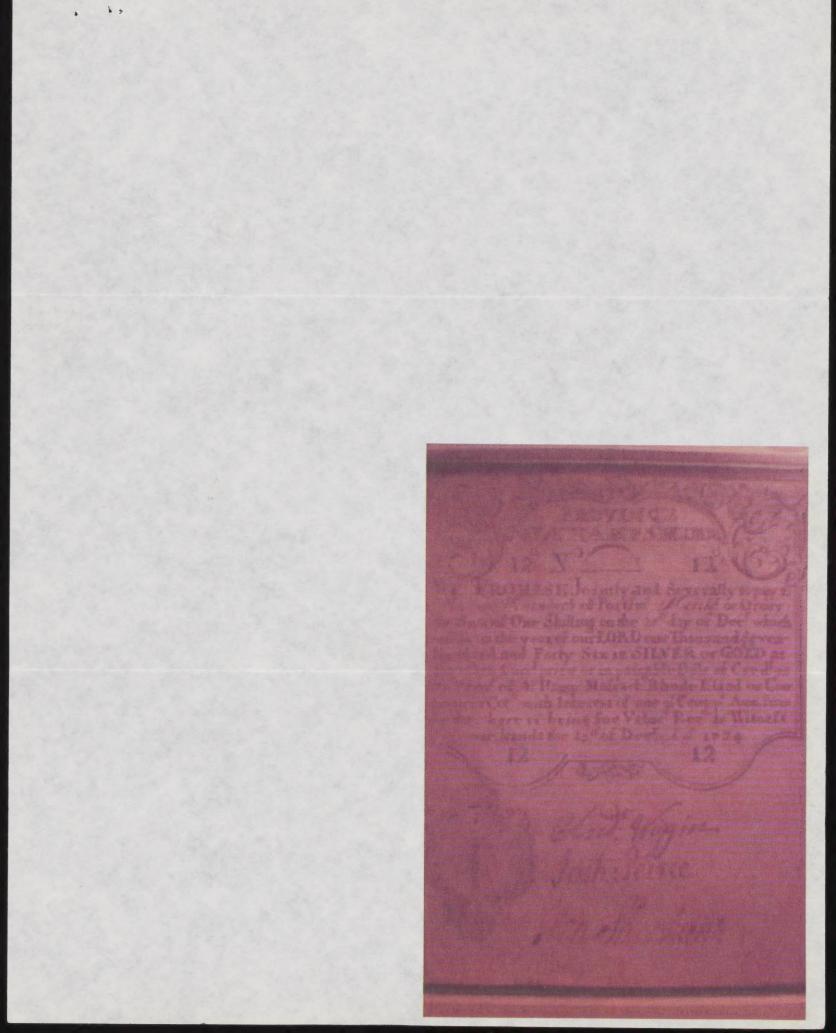
To: ronkley@juno.com

Dear Mr. Kley:

It is not unusual for me to receive a message from someone after 20 years so I am glad to hear from you. I am now completing writing the 5th edition of my book and am glad to receive your commentary. I did have your piece listed but it was described as 12d. I will now add after that denomination (1s) so as to avoid any confusion. Thank you for being a bit confused.

I do wish an image of your lovely piece so why don't you lay the framed item on a fax machine or if you take it out it out of the frame you could take an image of both sides on a fax machine. I think you should take it out of the frame so you have the image of both sides. I look forward to hearing from you.

Eric P. Newman



Subj: Re: New Hampshire Merchants one shilling note.

Date: 9/27/2006 6:24:59 AM Central Standard Time

From: ronkley@juno.com
To: EricNumis@aol.com

Hello again -

I'll plan to get a decent image of each side out to you. This week is turning out to be quite crazy, so I probably won't get to it right away but, trust me, it won't take another 20 years!

Refards, Ron

On Tue, 26 Sep 2006 16:40:24 EDT EricNumis@aol.com writes:

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